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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED**  
**MARCH 23, 2004**

MS: NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 23, 2004, applicant requests that the following amendments are entered and the following remarks are considered.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this response.